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Embassy Political Officer delivered reftel demarche on December 19 to MOFA Second Southeast Asia Division Deputy Director Isamu Ishikawa. Ishikawa was aware of the demarche efforts being coordinated in Dili and appreciated our efforts to work together. Including the Portuguese in our joint endeavor is critical to moving the East Timor leadership in the right direction, Ishikawa emphasized. SCHIEFFER